

BETHPAGE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
Bethpage, New York
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Annual Meeting Followed by Special Meeting
May 16, 2006 – 9:00 a.m. – Bethpage High School Gymnasium

The Annual Meeting of the Bethpage Board of Education was held on May 16, 2006, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. in the High School Gymnasium, 10 Cherry Avenue, Bethpage, New York.

Mr. Emory Berman, Chairperson, declared the polls open at 9:00 a.m. Voting proceeded all day. At 9:00 p.m., Mr. Berman declared the pools closed. The machines were locked and sealed and the inspectors proceeded to tally the 51 absentee ballots. There were no affidavit ballots.

The results are as follows:

Proposition No. 1 – Approve School Budget of \$63,022,902 for 2006-2007 school year:

1,531 Yes (includes 27 absentee ballots)
857 No (includes 24 absentee ballots)

Proposition No. 1 passed.

Proposition No. 2 – With the Board of Education’s discretion, authorization to enter into a lease purchase agreement for playground equipment and any financing associated therewith, in accordance with General Municipal Law §109-b, for a period of ten (10) years commencing in the 2006-2007 school year, for a total sum in the principal amount not to exceed seven hundred thousand dollars (\$700,000), plus interest, and to levy and collect a tax not to exceed seven hundred thousand dollars (\$700,000), plus interest, in installments and in such years and amounts as shall be determined by the Board of Education, to meet such obligation.

1,372 Yes (includes 24 absentee ballots)
826 No (includes 27 absentee ballots)

Proposition No. 2 passed.

Proposition No. 3 – With the Board of Education’s discretion, authorization to enter into a lease purchase agreement for six (6) maintenance vehicles which shall include two (2) maintenance vans, three (3) pick-up trucks, and one (1) dump truck, and any financing associated therewith, in accordance with General Municipal Law §109-b, for a period of five (5) years commencing in the 2006-2007 school year, for a total sum in the principal amount not to exceed one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000), plus interest, and to levy and collect a tax not to exceed one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000), plus interest, in installments and in such years and amounts as shall be determined by the Board of Education, to meet such obligation.

1,239 Yes (includes 23 absentee ballots)
910 No (includes 28 absentee ballots)

Proposition No. 3 passed.

Proposition No. 4 – Authorization to convert to continuous personal registration for school district elections, meetings and budget votes. Residents would be able to register at the Office of the District Clerk, located in the Administration Building, 10 Cherry Avenue, Bethpage, New York, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. daily when school is in session. During July and August, residents would be able to register Monday through Thursday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., except for the July 4th national holiday.

1,425 Yes (includes 26 absentee ballots)
694 No (includes 24 absentee ballots)

Proposition No. 4 passed.

For the seat of Sandra Watson (1A)

1,524 votes for Sandra Watson
(includes 31 absentee ballots)

For the unexpired term commencing
May 16, 2006 through June 30, 2006
and for a Three (3) Year Term
Commencing July 1, 2006
Last Incumbent Donald Tichy

1,239 votes for Hugh Walker
(includes 32 absentee ballots)

There were three write-in votes: Two for Teri Tichy and one for “Anyone Else.”

Mrs. Watson was elected to a three-year term, effective July 1, 2006.

Mr. Walker was elected to the unexpired term commencing May 16, 2006 through June 30, 2006 and for a three (3) year term commencing July 1, 2006.

At 10:10 p.m., the Annual Meeting relocated to the Boardroom at the Administration Building for the purpose of recording the voting results.

Present: Messrs. Tom Frost, Michael Kelly, Joel Dauman, Louis Orfan, Kurt Spears, and Mrs. Watson.

Also Present: Dr. Richard Marsh, Superintendent; Mr. Joseph Marchesiello, Assistant Superintendent for Business; Ms. Caroline Lavelle, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Mr. Terrence Clark, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction and Technology; and Laura Granelli, Esq. of Jaspan Schlesinger Hoffman LLP.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker and their two daughters were also present.

Mr. Frost led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

MOTION by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Dauman, that the Board of Education accept all of the above results of the Annual Meeting of May 16, 2006.

All aye. Motion carried (6-0).

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER DETERMINED that said Propositions were approved by a majority of the votes cast thereon and HEREBY DELCARED to be official. As evidence of the several determinations hereinabove made pursuant to Section 2034 of the Education Law of the State of New York, this Board of Education has caused two copies of this Resolution to be signed by all Members of this Board of Education. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Thomas Frost, President

Michael Kelly, Vice President

OATH OF OFFICE

Ms. Granelli administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Walker as Trustee of the Board of Education effective May 16, 2006 through June 30, 2006.

MATTER OF STUDENT RESIDENCY

MOTION by Mr. Spears, seconded by Mr. Kelly, that, pursuant to 8 NYCRR §100.2(y), the Board of Education hereby designates the Superintendent of Schools to make a final determination of residency for purposes of attendance in the District's schools, in the Matter of a Student Residency as set forth in confidential attachment "A".

Motion carried (6-0-1).

Ayes 6
Noes 0
Abstentions 1 (Mr. Walker)

APPOINTMENT OF IMPARTIAL HEARING OFFICER

MOTION by Mrs. Watson, seconded by Mr. Dauman, that the Bethpage Union Free School District hereby ratifies the appointment, effective May 9, 2006 of James Monk from the New York State Education Department’s list of approved hearing officers to serve as the impartial hearing officer in the matter of a demand for an impartial hearing for a classified District youngster, as set forth in confidential attachment “B,” which demand was received in the form of a letter from the parent on or about May 8, 2006.

Motion carried (6-0-1).

Ayes 6
Noes 0
Abstentions 1 (Mr. Walker)

FULL-TIME PROBATIONARY INSTRUCTIONAL

MOTION by Mr. Dauman, seconded by Mrs. Watson, that the Board of Education approve the full-time probationary instructional appointment of Enza Marinaccio in the academic tenure area of Foreign Language (Italian). Salary will be \$54,217, based on Step 3 of the BA+30 salary schedule, effective September 1, 2006 through August 31, 2009. Ms. Marinaccio is initially certified to teach Italian in New York State.

Note: This is not a new position.

Motion carried (6-0-1).

Ayes 6
Noes 0
Abstentions 1 (Mr. Walker)

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: by Mr. Dauman, seconded by Mrs. Watson, that the Board of Education adjourn the Annual Meeting/Special Meeting.

All aye. Motion carried (7-0).

The Annual Meeting adjourned at 10:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marléne Jannotta
District Clerk